

# **2018 Idaho NWCART “A” REGIONAL TOURNAMENT**

## **Coaches’ Packet**

Congratulations on your advancement to the NWCART Regional Tournament!

The Lewis-Clark CUBS are extremely excited to host this year’s prestigious tournament and hope the following information is helpful to you all.

This packet should contain the information necessary for your team to manage the tournament events in a respectful and proper manner so all involved will have a great experience at this year’s tournament.

In this packet you will find:

- 1) Congratulatory Letter/President Meshishnek
- 2) Tournament Bracket
- 3) Banquet Agenda
- 4) Opening ceremonies’ Agenda and diagram
- 5) Coaches/Umpires’ meeting information
- 6) Contact Information List

Congratulations and welcome to the 2018 NWCART Regional “A” Baseball Tournament!

This year’s tournament will be hosted by the Lewis-Clark Cubs at the legendary Harris Field, home of the LCSC Warriors, and the recently refurbished stadium dedicated in honor of the legendary NAIA Warrior’s Coach, Ed Cheff. Your players will treasure the next few days for the rest of their lives!

The tournament banquet will be on Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Teams should arrive between 5:30/5:45 p.m. and the program will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Tournament Hotel, The Red Lion. The Guest Speaker will be Jake Taylor, new Head Coach of the LCSC National Champion Warriors – 19 overall Championships and three straight since 2015!

NWCART Tournament Rules will be strictly enforced. These are set out in their entirety in the Idaho Rules (Pages 29-33), and should be in each of your State Rules as well. Idaho Rules may be found at [www.idaholegionbaseball.org](http://www.idaholegionbaseball.org).

1. Attendance at the Banquet is mandatory. Teams not reporting to the Banquet will be fined \$500.00 and withheld from tournament play until this fine has been paid and their Form #1s, Form #2s and Form #18 have been checked and approved.
2. Dress Code is SHIRT and TIE, or NICE TEAM POLO shirt of the same color and design. NO TENNIS SHOES. NO HATS.
3. Players and Coaches are our guests without charge.
4. Parents and Fans are welcome to attend the Banquet at a cost of \$20.00 per person. Please make reservations with the local tournament director, Angie Stamper, as soon as possible as space is limited.

Games follow on Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Coin flips for the first round of games will be held near the conclusion of the Banquet with representatives of each team coming to the podium. The team traveling the farthest will call. The Visitor will be allowed their choice of dug-out, with the exception that the Host Cubs will have their first-base, home dug-out as long as they play.

A Banquet Agenda is enclosed in this packet.

Following the banquet there will be a mandatory coaches' meeting in an adjacent conference room. Please have your team books with all required player and coach documentations available for checking by the NWCART Tournament Chairman and his representatives at this time.

At the conclusion of the team book checks, and weather permitting, the Coaches and Umpires will travel to Harris Field to go over the ground rules of Harris Field and the expectations for all throughout the tournament.

Opening ceremonies will be held at Harris Field beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 10th. All tournament players and coaches will be introduced along with American Legion and Host Dignitaries. Please have all players and coaches wear your full team uniforms for this important, and mandatory, event. The event will also include the presentation of the National Colors and recitation of the Legion Code of Conduct, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. Included in this packet is the Agenda for the ceremonies as well as a diagram showing where your team will form up and proceed onto the field.

There is a strict no outside food or drink allowed in Ed Cheff Stadium for the entire tournament. This includes coolers of any type, so please pass this along to your parents and fans to avoid any confusion at the gate! There is also a no pet policy that must be enforced. Unfortunately, violators will be asked to leave the tournament, without refund.

An awards ceremony will be held at the conclusion of the Championship Game.

We are looking forward to providing you with a truly memorable event and some great baseball by the best our States have to offer!

Sincerely,

Patti Meshishnek – L/C Twins/Cubs President

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

#### **Host Tournament Director:**

Angie Stamper – 208-790-2849 – [stamper13@centurylink.net](mailto:stamper13@centurylink.net)

#### **NWCART Tournament Director**

Clayton Burtsfield – 406-239-3534 – [cburtsbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:cburtsbaseball@gmail.com)

#### **Idaho State Chairman/Idaho American Legion Baseball**

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#### **Umpire in Chief**

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#### **Field Supervisor**

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#### **Team Hotel**

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## **Banquet Agenda**

1. Welcome by Patti Meshishnek, President L/C Twins-Cubs
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guest Speaker – Jake Taylor, Head Coach LCSC Warriors
4. Announce Order for dinner – Officials/Guests on dais, Teams, other guests.
5. Dinner
6. Clayton Burtsfield – NWCART Tournament Director. Coin Flip to determine Home/Visitor for First Day.
7. Excuse attendees - Coaches to meet in an adjacent conference room.

## OPENING CEREMONIES

Full Team attendance in team uniform is mandatory

There will be strict adherence to conduct on the field, especially during the recitation of the Code of Sportsmanship, Presentation of Colors and the singing/playing of the National Anthem.

During the singing of the National Anthem, all players are expected to stand erect and respectful, caps off, with their left hand behind their back, and their right hand covering their heart until released by the Tournament Director.

6:45 p.m.: Be at your team's assigned area no later than 6:45 p.m. and line up your players in single file in the same order as they are on your Form 1- Roster, alphabetically by last name. Teams will be escorted, single file, to their assigned place on the field by Area Cheerleaders as shown on the attached diagram.

7:00 p.m.: Introduction of all teams, alternating from left field to right: Montana – Utah – Wyoming – Oregon – Idaho #1 – Alaska – Montana #2 – Idaho HOST

7:10 p.m.: Once all teams are on the field the Announcer will introduce the Umpires, the Host and any Guests, and the American Legion Officials.

7:12 p.m.: The Honor Guard will present the Colors in front of the mound.

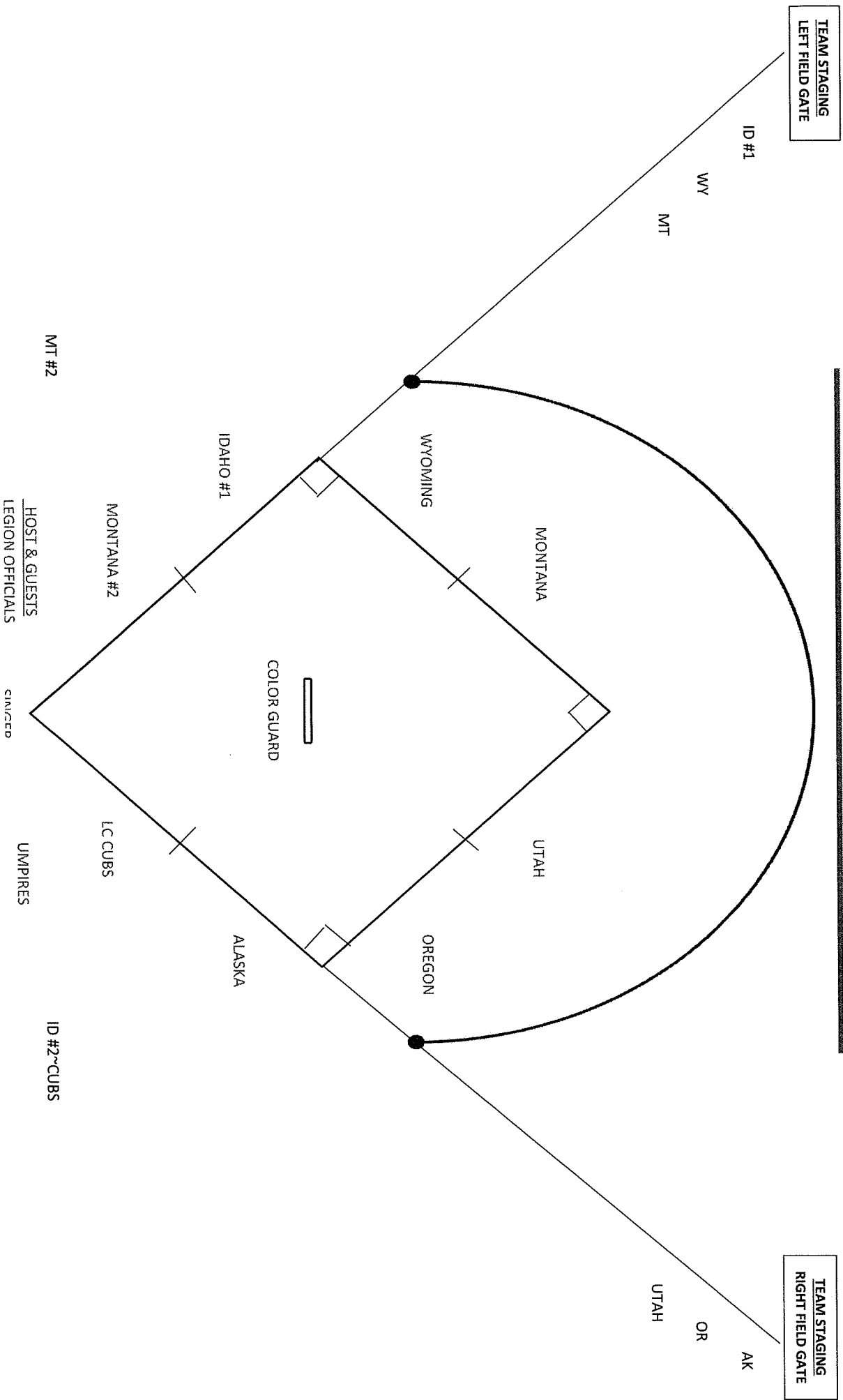
7:15 p.m.: Recitation of the Code of Sportsmanship/Clayton Burtsfield

7:17 p.m.: The Singer will be introduced for the National Anthem.

7:20 p.m.: The Honor Guard will post the Colors on the warning track adjacent to the end of the first base dugout. All will remain at attention until the Colors have been posted and they hear, "PLAY BALL!"

7:23 p.m.: Teams will be released when the Color Guard has posted Colors. Exit in the same single file formation. First on.....Last off!

NWCART 2018  
Opening Ceremony Diagram



## COACHES' & UMPIRE MEETING AGENDA

Immediately following the Banquet the Coaches will gather in the adjacent conference room and go over all team books.

Please have all required documents in a three-ring binder. The ONLY document that should be in a plastic sleeve is the players' proof of age (National Rule 2-E-1-7). The Coach should be prepared to pull all proofs of age from the plastic sleeve at the time of their inspection.

All other documents should be separate for ease of review.

Please order your documents in your book as follows:

1. Proof of Medical and Liability Insurance for team
2. Coaches Ethics Statement
3. Coaches' Certification of Concussion Training
4. Form 1-Roster
5. Players' Information – arranged as set out on your Form 1

### REQUIRED:

- a. Proof of age documentation
- b. National Form #2 – Medical Release and Indemnity signed by both player and parent.
- b. Alcohol/Drug Policy Statement



**PROPOSED**  
**DOUBLE ELIMINATION BRACKETING**  
**AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL**  
**NORTHWEST CLASS "A" REGIONAL TOURNAMENT**  
**LEWISTON, IDAHO**  
**AUGUST 9-14, 2018**

<b>UTAH</b> GAME 1 9:30 AM  <b>MONTANA</b>	LOSER GAME 1 GAME 5 9:30 AM	WINNER GAME 6 GAME 9 12:00 PM	SEE NOTE 1
	LOSER GAME 3	LOSER GAME 7	
<b>OREGON</b> GAME 2 12:30 PM  <b>WYOMING</b>	LOSER GAME 2 GAME 6 12:30 PM	WINNER GAME 5 GAME 10 3:00 PM	SEE NOTE 1
	LOSER GAME 4	LOSER GAME 8	
<b>ALASKA</b> GAME 3 4:30 PM  <b>IDAHO #1</b>	WINNER GAME 1 GAME 7 4:30 PM	WINNER GAME 7 GAME 11 6:00 PM	IF NEEDED GAME 15 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING GAME 14
	WINNER GAME 3	WINNER GAME 8	
<b>MONTANA #2</b> GAME 4 7:30 AM  <b>IDAHO HOST #2</b>	WINNER GAME 2 Game 8 7:30 PM	WINNER GAME 2 Game 8 7:30 PM	PAIRING FOR GAME 12 & 13 WILL NOT MATCH PREVIOUS OPPONENT AGAINST EACH OTHER UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. IF 3 TEAMS REMAIN AFTER GAME 13, THE WINNER OF GAME 11 AUTOMATICALLY RECEIVE THE BYE. THE CHOICE OF GAME TIME OF THE HOST TEAM MAY BE EXPRESSED FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND DAY OF PLAY ONLY
	WINNER GAME 4	WINNER GAME 4	

Tournament Director  
 TO DETERMINE SEEDING  
 FOR GAMES 12 & 13

SEE NOTE 1

GAME 12  
 2:00 PM

WINNER GAME 12  
 GAME 14  
 12:00 PM  
 WINNER GAME 13

GAME 13  
 6:00 PM

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<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>
August 10, 2018	August 11, 2018	August 12, 2018	August 13, 2018	August 14, 2018